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Alfie Alvarado serves as the Deputy Director of the Washington State Department of Veterans Affairs. She is responsible for the day to day agency operations and the Field Services Network. She is the department's health officer and represents the agency locally and nationally in all matters related to veterans' health.

Alfie was born in Puerto Rico and served 22 years on active duty retiring in August 1993 as the Command Sergeant Major of Madigan Army Medical Center in Fort Lewis, Washington. During her military career, she was the recipient of numerous awards and decorations to include the Legion of Merit, Order of Military Medical Merit, Expert Field Medical Badge and Meritorious Service Medals.

Her experience and education center in the management of medical service delivery and human resources. She is a University of New York and Harvard University John F. Kennedy School of Government Executive Program graduate. She is a licensed Nursing Home Administrator, having previously managed two of the three state veterans' homes in Washington State.

Alfie Alvarado is the Chair of the Governor's Affirmative Action Policy Committee and serves on the boards of directors of the Madigan Foundation and Armed Forces Veterans Homes Foundation. In addition, she is a member of the Resident Councils of Washington Advisory Board, Hispanic Women's Network, and the National Association of Female Executives.

She has received numerous local, state and national awards including the Governor's Distinguished Management Leadership Award and the Lifetime Achievement Award for women in the military from the Young Women's Christian Association (YWCA). Alfie Alvarado resides in Olympia, Washington.